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SAO PAULO

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SUBJECT: American Arrested With Terrorists in Sao Paulo

REF: SAO PAULO 944

1. Gary Wayne Tranter has been identified as Fulbright scholar in São Paulo. Although not registered in Congen, he is known to several USIS officers who describe him as "swinging leftist."

2. EO50x1 Tranter being held by Brazilian

Army authorities for questioning.

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Brazilians expressed opinion that Tranter not involved with terrorists. Nevertheless, he may continue to be held while persons picked up after last night's gun fight are being sorted out.

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3. Congen officers have been making efforts all day to see Tranter and offer protection. However, case being closely held by military authorities and we have not been successful. We understand Tranter was to have been released; however, we sent messenger to his residence who found he had not returned. Will continue efforts EO50x1 to have Consular Officer see Tranter. Hopefully, he will be released as soon as police have an opportunity to question him but that may still take some time.

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